perfectly willing to help by feeding the pilgrims are unable to do so as they have no paddy crops and the pilgrims will not eat ragi.

Dewan's reply.—Will be considered.

Subject No. 263.
Restriction for grazing in Gundlupet State Forests.

Summary of discussion.—Grazing in State Forests in the Gundlupet Taluk is subject to the same inconveniences as those just represented for Heggaddevankote and grazing land is otherwise not available in the Taluk.

Dewan's reply.—The Deputy Commissioner will be asked to report.

Subject No. 264.
English School needed at Nagamangala.

Summary of discussion.—An English school is much needed at Nagamangala. Kanarese, Hindustani and Sanskrit schools exist. Several boys desirous of learning English have had to go to distant places. There are more like them but they cannot afford to go.

Dewan's reply.—The application will be considered in the Education Department. Government can give a grant-in-aid.

Subject No. 265.
Location of Melkote feeding Chattram at Honnakere during the year except during Vairamudi Jatra.

Summary of discussion.—The feeding Chattram at Melkote should be located at Honnakere during the year excepting for a month in which the Vairamudi Jatra will be held at Melkote. Pilgrims chiefly consisting of Bhairagis and such like are put to much inconvenience as they have to walk the long distance of nearly 23 miles between French Rocks and Nagamangala without any means of being supplied with food or rations on the way. For similar reasons, the Balmuri Chattram has been shifted to Hirod.

Dewan's reply.—Probably the Melkote people will object. The Deputy Commissioner will however be asked.

Subject No. 266.
Grant of Loans to Raiyats from Savings Bank Deposits.

Summary of discussion.—Savings Bank Deposits in Taluk Treasuries should be lent to cultivating raiyats at six per cent interest per annum on the responsibility of the Amildar and on the security of their lands. The Government will thereby be benefited by profit in interest and by increase in cultivation.

Dewan's reply.—There is the Land Improvement Act for the same purpose which has not yet been largely availed of.

Subject No. 267.
Silt dams above large tanks require better attention.

Summary of discussion.—Public Works Department do not sufficiently attend to "neckal ane" (silt dams) which exist in the catchment grounds of large tanks. These are important.

Dewan's reply.—Commended to the Public Works Department.

Subject No. 268.

Revival of power to Inamdars to exact Bitti, Begari, &c.

Summary of discussion.—Inamdars should be invested to a certain defined extent with the power to exact what is known by the name of "Bitti Begari" (impressed labor).

Dewan's reply.—The times are changed and this is no longer practicable.

Subject No. 269.

Irregularity in the hot-weather Supply of water in River-Channels.

Summary of discussion.—There is considerable irregularity in the hot-weather supply of water in river-channels.

Dewan's reply.—A programme of dates for letting water into the various channels has been drawn up and must be adhered to. Thereby head sluices of the various channels will be opened by rotation and water will be supplied at sufficient intervals as far as the supply in the river will allow.

Subject No. 270.

Establishment of Taluk at Talkad.

Summary of discussion.—Talkad is an ancient and historical place. A Taluk Cutcherry should be re-established there.

Dewan's reply.—The town is getting buried in sand and cannot be made the Head-quarters of a Taluk. Sites for re-building the town are what are more required and can be granted.

Subject No. 271.

Amildars should be 2nd Class Magistrates and Taluk Sheristadars 3rd Class Magistrates.

Summary of discussion.—Amildars should be 2nd Class Magistrates, and Taluk Sheristadars should be invested with 3rd Class Magisterial powers as in British Territory. This will expedite disposal of Criminal work and conduce to public convenience.

Dewan's reply.—Recorded.

Subject No. 272.

Railway connection between French Rocks and Hassan.

Summary of discussion.—A Railway should be laid from French Rocks to Hassan.

Dewan's reply.—Too expensive for immediate consideration.

Subject No. 273.

Site selected for the new Taluk Cutcherry at Attikuppa objectionable.

Summary of discussion.—The site now selected for the new Taluk Cutcherry at Attikuppa is objectionable in several respects, such as proximity to the Holagere and toddy shop, distance from town and places of business, &c. A better site is available in the town with all advantages, such as proximity to tope, chattram and town, &c. It is somewhat lower than the one selected, but not so as to be objectionably low.